

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COMMISSION DIRECTIVE**

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER

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DATE

June 18, 2014

MOTOR CARRIER MATTER

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DOCKET NO.

2014-86-E

UTILITIES MATTER

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ORDER NO.

SUBJECT:

DOCKET NO. 2014-86-E - Application of South Carolina Electric & Gas Company for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Convenience and Necessity for the Construction and Operation of Two 230 kV Transmission Lines from Its Lyles Substation to Its Lake Murray Substation - A Hearing was Held on this Matter on May 20, 2014. This Matter is Ready for Final Disposition.

COMMISSION ACTION:

After review of the record in this docket, I move that we approve SCE&G's Application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Convenience and Necessity for the proposed two 230KV transmission lines. The lines, consistent with SCE&G's Long Range Planning Criteria and North American Electric Reliability Corporation standards, will extend from the Lyle Substation to the Lake Murray Substation, connecting to the Saluda River Substation. These facilities are necessary to prevent overloading of components under certain scenarios following the planned retirement of the McMeekin Generating Station. An Environmental Report submitted as evidence in this Docket indicates the ten mile project will have minimal environmental impacts because the proposed lines are to run almost entirely within existing rights-of-way where transmission lines currently exist. Of the length of this project, only 2.7 acres of new right-of-way are being sought to allow elimination of a lattice steel tower in the Columbia Canal/Riverfront Park., If the Company is unsuccessful in acquiring this new right-of-way, the existing right-of-way through the Columbia Canal/Riverfront Park will be used. Further, the results of a study to investigate the project's effect on cultural resources also shows no impact.

In summary, Mr. Chairman, the evidence in this Docket confirms that SCE&G's proposed transmission lines and associated facilities serve the interests of system economy and reliability, they are required by public convenience and necessity, and they meet all the other criteria required by the Siting Statute. Again, I move that we approve SCE&G's Application, and that we grant the required Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Convenience and Necessity.

PRESIDING: HamiltonSESSION: RegularTIME: 2:00 p.m.

MOTION YES NO OTHER

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HOWARD	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
MC GEE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>Not Voting</u>	Annual Leave the day of the hearing
RANDALL	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>Absent</u>	Annual Leave
WHITFIELD	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>Absent</u>	Annual Leave

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